

REMARKS

"tis" on page 3 of the Specification has been changed to -this- as required by the Examiner.

Claims 1 through 10 have been canceled and replaced by claims 11 through 21. Claim 11 is the new independent claim and includes the subject matter of the previous claim 10 and the base claim and the intervening claims that was indicated as being allowable in the Office action. Consequently, claim 11 is allowable. In this connection, none of the cited references disclose or suggest the cyclic rate of fire reducing means comprising a plunger bumper member reciprocally mounted in the open end of the elongated hollow interior of the elongated buffer body for increasing the length of travel of the buffer during a buffer recoil cycle and increasing the buffer recoil time associated with each buffer recoil cycle and means for keeping the plunger bumper member inactive until the gas port of the firearm becomes worn to a predetermined degree set forth in new main claim 11.

Claims 12 through 21 depend either directly or indirectly from allowable claim 11 and hence they are allowable. In addition, the cited prior art does not disclose or suggest the claimed combination including the weight means, the plurality of weights, the tungsten weights, the separating means, the springs, the weights with holes and springs at least partially located in the holes, the means for requiring the plunger bumper member to move in the full recoil position a certain distance to function, the spacer member, the slot in the plunger bumper member and a member located at least partially in the slot, and the pin of the respective claims 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21. Consequently, these dependent claims are also allowable.

In view of the foregoing, all of the present claims are allowable and early allowance is requested.

Attachment A to this amendment sets forth the support in the application for the new claims added by this amendment. Of course, there may be other support in the application for these claims that is not set forth in Attachment A.

Corrected formal drawings with correct line quality to replace the

original informal drawings are attached hereto as Attachment B as required in the Office action. For clarity, an additional sheet of drawings has been added. However, the figures are the same as in the originally filed drawings and no new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments



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Support for New Claims

Claim

Support

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| 11. | Figs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7
original claims 1, 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10
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paragraph bridging pages 16 and 17 |
| 12. | Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7
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| 13. | Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7
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<u>Claim</u>	<u>Support</u>
14.	Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7 page 12, last line page 13, lines 1-2
15.	Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7 original claim 6 page 13, lines 23-25
16.	Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7 page 13, lines 13-25
17.	Figs. 3, 4, 6 and 7 page 13, lines 7-20
18.	Figs. 4, and 5 paragraph bridging pages 15 and 16 paragraph bridging pages 16 and 17
19.	Figs. 3, 4, and 6 page 14, first full paragraph page 17, lines 1-4
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